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SUBJ: SERVICES PROVIDED TO MRS. DUBS AND HER PARTY AT KABUL

1. WE PROVIDE HERewith A SUMMARY ACCOUNT OF THE PROGRAM WE ARRANGED FOR MRS. DUBS AND HER PARTY DURING THEIR APPROXIMATELY 16 HRS. IN KABUL. ALL ELEMENTS OF THE MISSION, INCLUDING THE EMBASSY, USAID, USICA, PEACE CORPS, DAO, DEA, AND THE DISPENSARY WORKED FOR TWO DAYS, ALMOST AROUND-THE-CLOCK, TO MAKE THE PROGRAM HELPFUL, MEANINGFUL, AND IN SUITABLE HOMAGE TO AMBASSADOR DUBS.

2. ARRIVAL: PARTY ARRIVED AT 1445 HRS., FEBRUARY 16, AND WAS MET AT AIRPORT BY THE CHARGE, CHIEFS OF SECTIONS, AND OTHER SENIOR OFFICERS OF THE MISSION. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE AFGHAN FOREIGN MINISTRY ALSO WERE PRESENT, AS WELL AS AFGHAN SECURITY OFFICIALS. THE SENIOR AFGHAN MFA OFFICIAL THERE WAS THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL. PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS WERE WAIVED.

3. THE DELEGATION WAS TRANSPORTED FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, WHERE MEMORIAL PLANS WERE DIS-

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DISCUSSED, AND MRS. DUBS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE REQUESTS

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AND CHANGES. INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION WERE LATER ASSISTED TO ACCOMMODATIONS, EITHER AT THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, THE CHARGE'S RESIDENCE, THE INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, OR INDIVIDUAL HOUSES.

4. FOLLOWING THIS INITIAL SESSION, MRS. DUBS ASKED FOR A DRIVE-BY OF THE KIDNAPPING SITE AND THE KABUL HOTEL, WHERE THE TRAGEDY OCCURRED. INTERESTED MEMBERS OF HER PARTY ATTENDED A SPECIAL BRIEFING AT THE EMBASSY.

5. MEMORIAL SERVICE: AT 1800 ON FEBRUARY 16, A 20-MINUTE INTERDENOMINATIONAL MEMORIAL SERVICE WAS HELD AT THE RESIDENCE. IT WAS ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY SIX HUNDRED PEOPLE, INCLUDING THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY, THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS, INCLUDING THE DEAN, THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR, SOME AFGHAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS, AND U.S. MISSION PLS AND TCNS.

6. EMBASSY EMPLOYEES ASSISTED IN INVENTORYING AND PACKAGING FOR TRANSPORT ABOARD THE AIRCRAFT THE PERSONAL EFFECTS OF AMBASSADOR DUBS. THE NECESSARY FORMALITIES WITH REGARD TO THE BODY OF THE LATE AMBASSADOR WERE ALSO COMPLIED WITH, INCLUDING THE ISSUANCE OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH OF AN AMERICAN CITIZEN. PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF THE DELEGATION, THE EMBASSY ARRANGED, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TO WAIVE THE AFGHAN POLICE AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING THE PREPARATION OF THE BODY, THE CLOSING OF THE CASKET, AND ITS TRANSPORTATION TO THE USAF AIRCRAFT.

7. AIRPORT ARRANGEMENTS: WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF AIRPORT OFFICIALS, PROCEDURES WERE WORKED OUT FOR USING AIRPORT EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES BOTH FOR ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE CEREMONIES.
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THESE INCLUDED PARKING THE AIRCRAFT AND ASSOCIATED GROUND SUPPORT, USING A LIFT TO HOIST THE AMBASSADOR'S COFFIN TO THE AIRPLANE AT THE TIME OF DEPARTURE, SECURING THE NECESSARY FLIGHT CLEARANCES, AND USING THE VIP AREA AT THE AIRPORT.

8. DEPARTURE: MEMBERS OF THE PARTY WERE DRIVEN TO THE AIRPORT WITH THEIR ESCORT OFFICERS. AMBASSADOR DUBS' HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS, AND THE BAGGAGE OF THE PASSENGERS HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN LOADED ON THE PLANE. A CORTEGE WAS ARRANGED WITH POLICE MOTORCYCLE ESCORT. MRS. DUBS RODE TO THE AIRPORT IN THE

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CHARGE'S CAR, BEHIND THE DISPENSARY AMBULANCE, WHICH CARRIED THE AMBASSADOR'S COFFIN. THE COFFIN HAD BEEN CLOSED AND BOLTED ON FEBRUARY 16. A CARRY-ALL CARRYING THE PALL BEARERS FOLLOWED THE CHARGE'S CAR AFTER WHICH CAME TWO FOLLOW-UP CARS OF THE TRAFFIC POLICE. APPROXIMATELY FIVE HUNDRED INDIVIDUALS WERE PRESENT ON THE TARMAC TO WITNESS THE DEPARTURE OF THE BODY AND MRS. DUBS' PARTY, INCLUDING A MEMBER OF THE AFGHAN CABINET (BAREG-SHAFIYEE, MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND CULTURE), MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS (INCLUDING THE DEAN, THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR), AND, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF FOREIGN MINISTER HAFIZULLAH AMIN, THE TOP OFFICIALS OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN MISSION AND MRS. DUBS' PARTY (INCLUDING AMBASSADOR BARNES, CHARLES L'KEEFFE, JACK MIKLOS, AND DR. PIECZENIK) WERE ON HAND IN A RECEIVING LINE TO GREET THOSE WHO ATTENDED THE DEPARTURE CEREMONY.

9. MEDICAL: THE BODY OF THE AMBASSADOR WAS EMBALMED AT THE DISPENSARY BY THE RMO, DR. LLOYD ROTZ, AND BY DR. STEVEN THOMAS, ANOTHER AMERICAN PHYSICIAN. A PARTIAL, PRELIMINARY AUTOPSY WAS ALSO PERFORMED AT THE DISPENSARY BY DR. ROTZ.

10. MARINES: THE MARINE CONTINGENT PROVIDED HONOR GUARDS AT BOTH THE ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE CEREMONIES, AND AT THE MEMORIAL SERVICE. MARINE GUARDS PROVIDED PROTECTION FOR MRS. DUBS THROUGHOUT HER STAY IN KABUL
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11. A CONDOLENCE BOOK WAS SET UP IN THE LOBBY OF THE CHANCERY, AND WAS OPEN FOR SIGNATURES ON THE MORNINGS OF FEBRUARY 17 AND 18. AMSTUTZ

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